

## Message Text

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ACTION SS-25

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FM AMEMBASSY TEHRAN  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 3395  
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S E C R E T TEHRAN 5960

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DEPT PLEASE PASS SECDEF AND USCINCEUR

E.O.11652: GDS  
TAGS: MILI MASS IR SO  
SUBJ: POSSIBLE IRANIAN AID TO SOMALIA

1. POL/MILCOUNS, WHO WAS ASKED TO COME IN JULY 6  
BY GENERAL TOUFANIAN, WAS TOLD BY LATTER THAT GOI WISHED  
TO PROVIDE SOMALIA WITH FOLLOWING EQUIPMENT, ALL OF  
MAP ORIGIN:

- A) 12,000 SEMI-AUTOMATIC CARBINES,
- B) 800-88.9MM BAZOOKA LAUNCHERS,
- C) 96-57MM RECOILLESS RIFLES.

2. IN RESPONSE TO QUERIES TOUFANIAN REPLIED AS FOLLOWS:

A) GOI DOES NOT KNOW ORIGINAL ACQUISITION COST  
OF THESE ITEMS, BUT CERTAINLY THEIR VALUE NOW IS  
MINIMAL. TOUFANIAN HOPED US COULD SUPPLY ACQUISITION COST,  
OR CLOSE APPROXIMATION, FOR PURPOSES OF ANSWERING ANY  
CONGRESSIONAL QUESTION.

B) GOI WOULD HOPE THAT GESTURE REPRESENTED BY TRANSFERRING  
THESE ITEMS TO SOMALIA WOULD HAVE BENEFIT IN TERMS OF SOMALI  
POLITICAL ORIENTATION.

C) ALTHOUGH SHAH HAS APPROVED TRANSFER OF THESE ITEMS GOI  
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HAS SET NO DATE FOR THAT ACTION UNTIL USG APPROVAL HAS BEEN OBTAINED.

3. POL-MIL COUNS EMPHASIZED TO TOUFANIAN THE NED  
SCRUPULOUSLY TO ADHERE TO US THIRD COUNTRY TRANSFER  
REQUIREMENTS.

4. REQUEST DEPARTMENT PROCEED PROMPTLY WITH CONSIDERATION OF

THIS PROPOSED THIRD COUNTRY TRANSFER AND KEEP US INFORMED  
OF PROGRESS.  
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NOTE BY OC/T: NOT PASSED ABOVE ADDRESSEES.

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